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COUNTY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES *June Figures Show Seasonal County Increases*

NASHVILLE –Tennessee's June unemployment rate of 5.3 percent, up from 5.2 percent over the month, was released on July 17, 2003. County unemployment rates released today showed that 94 county rates increased and one decreased from May rates.

Moore County, at 2.6 percent, up from 1.7 over the month, registered the state's lowest county unemployment rate. Lawrence County at 13.9 percent, up from 8.3, reported the state's highest jobless rate.

Knox County, at 3.1 percent, up from 2.6 percent in May, registered the lowest metropolitan county unemployment rate. Hamilton County registered 4.0 percent, up from 3.3 percent. Davidson County was at 4.3 percent, up from 3.6 percent, while Shelby County registered 6.4, up from 5.1 percent over the month.

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NOTE: Information will be available on the Internet; enter http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/labor_figures.

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